



**To: Examiner Robyn Doan**

**From: Applicant David Silva**

**Application No. 10/754,920**

**Art Unit 3732**

**Response**

In response to the office action sent on January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2007 applicant claims priority to patent application (U.S. Pat. # 5,954,065) to eliminate the Silva rejection and the Silva in view of McKenzie rejection. Regarding McKenzie (U.S. Pat # 5,224,501) dental floss is not resilient and the current invention has to have a resilient band or it wouldn't work. The band of the current invention has to stretch while being sewn through the hair or it wouldn't be able to spring out of the hair when the sticks are removed. A non-resilient band would become tangled in the user's hair.

**Remarks:**

The undersigned has made a diligent effort to resolve the rejection and believes the claims of this application define novel structure, which are also unobvious because it produces new and unexpected results. If, for any reason the claims of this application are not believed to be in full condition